

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

I oppose further loosening of FCC regulations on the diversity of media ownership. The US is already suffering the affects of the major media being owned by a handful of large corporations. All of the news is the same on the major networks - it is all geared to garner the biggest ratings. One can no longer hear opinions that won't sell advertising. Voices of dissent do not sell advertising. In these dangerous times where concerned, educated voices of dissent must be heard to check the sweeping loss of personal rights and worldwide violence, they cannot be heard the majority, but only by the few who must hunt to find them through alternative methods. As I read what makes the "alternative news" I question why this news is not offered to the entire US via the mainstream media. It is scary that such a volume of well-considered, legitimate news is simply ignored by the mainstream because of corporate sponsorship. To allow further consolidation of the news media will eliminate! what little diversity is left.

It is already a crisis - why make it a lost cause. The ability to hear and consider every voice is what a democracy should be NOT the ability to hear the voice of the CORPORATE MEDIA feeding the public the "news" that will boost ratings.

I hope the FCC will seriously reconsider how it's decisions can effectively quell a nation's democracy and decide not to rule in favor of corporations, but in favor of the people of this great country.